Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the Abstract of the disclosure starting on page 10, line 9, with the following abstract starting on page 11, line 1.

"Abstract of the Disclosure

An ~~ankle/foot~~ ankle and foot orthosis ~~has~~ including a strapping member for ~~the~~ a lower leg, the lower leg including an ankle and a foot, an ~~inflexible~~ anterior longitudinal stiffener, wherein the anterior longitudinal stiffener is constructed from a reinforced resin to be inflexibly rigid, a sole plate, and a ~~relatively flexible~~ strut, wherein the strut is constructed from a reinforced resin to be resiliently and flexibly configurable, and wherein the strut extends from the anterior longitudinal stiffener to a lateral side of the sole plate such that the strut is disposed adjacent an anterior portion of the ankle to connect the anterior longitudinal stiffener with the strut ~~connecting the stiffener to the sole plate~~. The flexible strut permits a degree of ankle flexibility, and promotes a more natural walking gait."

Please replace the Title of the application beginning at page 1, line 1, and the abstract title of the application beginning at page 11, line 1, with the following title: "An Ankle and Foot Orthosis"

Please replace the paragraph [0021] starting on page 9, line 7, with the following paragraph:

"The stiffener 21 is fixed to the strapping member 11 ~~22~~ by rivets or screws 24. A plurality of fixing positions may be provided to allow adjustment for length of leg, for example a slot may be provided in the strapping member to allow for adjustment prior to permanent attachment."

Please replace the paragraph [0023] starting on page 9, line 16, with the following paragraph:

"Thereafter the strapping member 11 portion is attached, after suitable measurement of a patient. Final fitting includes trimming of the sole plate, and moulding or trimming of the strapping member 11 portion."